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Motor vehicle crashes continue to be the number one killer of our teenagers in this country. Research has shown that graduated driver licensing (GDL) programs are one of the most effective tools in reducing teen crashes and saving lives. Statistics show comprehensive GDL programs are associated with reductions of approximately 20% in 16-year-old drivers' fatal crash involvement rates. While all states have some version of a GDL law, most states do not have all the key components.

That's why Nationwide supports the STANDUP Act and the work the Saferoads4teens Coalition has done to get this important bill in front of Congress. The STANDUP Act will give states incentives to pass the primary components of GDL which will lead to increased consistency among all states. Passing this law will reduce teen fatalities and life changing injuries that impact thousands of families each year.

"We know legislation is only part of the solution," said Bill Windsor, Nationwide's AVP of Safety. "That's why we support the STANDUP Act, along with education and technology, to reduce teen traffic crashes."

At Nationwide we have a long history of advocating for stronger safety standards, which includes helping teens become better drivers. Nationwide's SmartRide[®] program is geared towards parents and their teens who are learning to drive. Nationwide SmartRide helps educate teens be smarter, safer drivers.

Nationwide has also partnered with Aegis Mobility to put into operation a unique cell phone technology that will help parents manage the distraction of cell phone usage while their teens are driving. This technology will help reduce teen traffic crashes as well as risky behavior.

Nationwide has a long legacy as a leader in safety and will continue to support the efforts to reduce teen traffic crashes.

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